GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Office of the Inspector General

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September 15, 2006

The Honorable Anthony A. Williams
Mayor
District of Columbia
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Mayor's Correspondence Unit, 2nd Floor, Suite 221
Washington, D.C. 20004

RE: SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY REPORT

Dear Mayor Williams:

This report is to inform you of the results of an investigation that was conducted by Special Agent Bryan D. Chase of this Office concerning Lorelle Dance, a former business manager employed at D.C. Public Schools (DCPS).

This investigation revealed that Dance, who for years handled contracting duties for several D.C. elementary schools, steered work to two Maryland companies owned by former contractor Charles Wiggins. Dance used the District government issued credit card to purchase more than \$360,000 in work from Wiggins. In exchange, Dance received nearly \$40,000 from 2001 to 2003. In many instances the companies were paid even though they never performed the work.

On August 31, 2006, the Honorable John D. Bates, United States District Court for the District of Columbia, sentenced Dance to 18 months in prison, 36 months supervised probation, and was fined \$100.00 for special assessment.

If you need additional information, please call me or Leonard Odom, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, on (202) 727-1039. When calling, please reference OIG Control Number 2003-0345.

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